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Local Unit To Give Military Display

A military display, sponsored by No. 2 Boy Scouts Section, Delia, will take place on Wednesday next, June 4th.

Commencing at 2 p.m. with a big parade, which will start at the Agricultural grounds, the afternoon will witness manoeuvres, demonstrating, and drills. Two bands will be present, and various sports will provide other forms of entertainment. Boy Scouts, in addition to the parade, will take part in the exercises, and a big dance in the evening will wind up the day's proceedings.

Increasing Crested Wheat Grass This Year

Lethbridge Experimental Station Weekly Letter.

The wheat surplus and the wheat reduction plans have brought to the attention of sections of the province, more lands to grass. Unquestionably, if full advantage is taken of the focus system for the wheat acreage that is replaced by grass, there will be a large demand for grass seed in the fall of this year. Even without the wheat reduction plan, there has never been a surplus of grass seed above the demands that the United States have made on our market. For these reasons, it would appear that the price of grass seed may be expected to be higher for the next year or so. In any event, there will be a full demand for all of the seed made available this fall.

Crested wheat grass has firmly established itself as the most suitable of our common cultivated grasses over much of the area of western Canada. Certainly in our drier districts it is the most productive forage plant we have, and the seed demand will be largely confined to this grass. During the past few years, many farmers in western Canada have needed small acreages of this grass. Seedlings were made in several rows to seed production, while other stands were needed solid for pasture or hay. Information gathered during the past few years has shown definitely that yields of seed may be expected yearly on stands that were needed in rows and kept cultivated. In many districts, solid stands have yielded seed although not nearly to the same extent as the row seedings. During dry seasons, solid seedlings seldom produce sufficient seed to warrant harvesting.

At this time, we would strongly suggest to the farmers that all stands of crested wheat grass that are in rows and this season of grass be left for seed production. The row seedlings may be cultivated immediately to kill seedlings that have started from seed sown last year. This stands of grass in which competition from weeds and other plants is not too great, will often yield as high as row seedlings. There is nothing in the way of cultivation that can be done with these stands. In all cases where the grass is being left for seed production, it is necessary to remove stock and keep the field protected from the remainder of the season. Stands that are needed solid will probably be best utilized for pasture and hay, unless moisture conditions have improved greatly during the latter two weeks of this month.

It is impossible to predict the price of grass seed for this coming fall, but the indications are that favorable returns may be expected under existing conditions. In any event, the production of grass seed will be one more small step in Canada's war effort.

Summer Pasture for Dairy Cows

A mixture of Fall Rye and Oats sown before June 1st will provide a satisfactory pasture for dairy cattle. The only pasture sown early in July and the fall rye, which will stand throughout the year, will also provide good pasture early in the next spring.

The rates of seed suggested are by broadcast fall sowing and 100 pounds of seed per acre, although this only covers the seedling stage of the grass. The best way to sow grass seed, especially when sowing in rows, is good with when the seed is sown.

If possible, one should divide this pasture into two or three fields, in the pasture to make it very dry before June 1st to another, thus providing better pasture for a longer period.

Wedding Bells

MARSHALL—IMLER

A quiet wedding was solemnized at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. Imler, of Delia district, on Sunday, April 20, when Florence Mary, their youngest daughter, was united in holy matrimony with Carl Albert Marshall, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Marshall, of Delia.

The wedding ceremony was performed by Rev. Father Harrell, of Hanna.

The bride, who was given away by her father, looked very charming in a navy blue tailored suit, with a navy blue and ivory dress hat, and matching accessories. She carried a lovely bouquet of carnations. Her bridesmaid, Miss Mary Marshall, chose a rose-leaf green afternoon dress with small corners.

The groom was escorted by the bride's brother, Mr. George Imler. After the ceremony about 25 immediate relatives and friends sat down to a long table, entered with a pretty decorated three tiered wedding cake, and flecked with roses of red.

Father Harrell proposed a toast to the young couple, to which the groom gave a very fitting response. The wedding reception, luncheon and many congratulations, the happy couple left by bus for Calgary, where they will reside, the groom being in the service of the R.C.O.C. (A. C.)

Reserve Units To Train This Summer

Announcement was made early last week that Canadian Army Reserve units will be called upon to perform two weeks military training in camp this summer.

Northern units are to be called up the latter part of July, while those in the southern portion of the province will train from August 3rd to 17th. The Delia Army Field Workshop, R.C.O.C., of which the Delia unit in the Reserve Section, is slated to have a strength of six officers and 240 other ranks, and will be among the southern units to undergo the training.

General Smuts Made British Field-Marshal

It was announced last week that General Jan Christiaan Smuts, premier of the Union of South Africa, and commander-in-chief of its armed forces, had been created a British Field-Marshal on the occasion of his 74th birthday. In this last graceful compliment to the man, who more than any other, has held South Africa fast to the confederation of peoples known as the British Empire, it is to be discerned the hand of Britain's prime minister, Mr. Winston Churchill. For these two, both men of stamens and tried courage, are old enemies long become trusted friends. Smuts himself has told the story of their first meeting, after the capture of an armoured train by the Boers. During the fighting, the general had been struck by the energy and capacity of a fair-haired civilian youth who had led the defence. After the surrender, the general made known to him the energy and capacity of a fair-haired civilian youth who had led the defence. After the surrender, the general made known to him the energy and capacity of a fair-haired civilian youth who had led the defence.

It was to the far-seeing statesmanship of a Boerman, Henry Campbell-Bannerman, that this happy result was brought about, so that today, as in the previous world conflict, the Empire stands foursquare to confront its foe. Whichever mistake has been committed in the name of Britain in the past, there was a man in which instance, repatriation for wrong done—in the teeth of protest by long broad-minded men—has turned valiant enemies into no less valiant friends. Thanks to

Softball

Local Girls Still Undeafened

The Delia Dodgers were up two more decisive softball victories at Calgary on May 24, by beating the Handhill girls 11-1, and the Calgary club 12-1.

The Dodgers now have a splendid record of six straight victories. The line-up of the Delia club is as follows:

Pitching — Ellen Dodge, Rosie Ripper. Catching — Irene Battle. Infielders — Annie Marshall, Rita Nichol, Louise Battle, Vera Fiedler. Outfielders — Jessie Simpson, Barbara Curtis, Alice Dunbar, Winnie Newman, Irene Marshall.

Mr. Shapiro, the head-master, who organized the team three years ago, is still coaching the girls.

War Services Fund In Alberta

Northern Alberta has contributed more than \$100,000 to the War Services Fund. It was announced last week by Mr. T. Ross, campaign manager, that the total amount of the fund, and the present surplus will be greater than all returns have been collected. Headquarters will be the Knights of Columbus, 1000-10th St., N.W., Calgary. War Services, Y.W.C.A., Y.M.C.A., Salvation Army, and I.O.O.F.

Base Metal Values

The combined value of base metals, as quoted in the London Metal Exchange, last week was \$15,000,000. The value of the remaining metals aggregated \$1,900,100.



BOY SCOUT NEWS

Scout Musicians Become an R.C. N.V.R. Band For the Duration.

The Victoria Boy Scout Band of Moose Creek, for many years one of the province's outstanding boys' bands, and winners of many national competitions, is now the band of the Musical Division of the R.C.N.V.R. for the duration. The band volunteered, as a practical form of national service, and the Musical Boy Scouts Association promptly granted the necessary permission for the use of the band instruments. Band country gave a highly attended concert, assisted by the Montreal Mas Vain Chien, in the ballroom of the Windsor Hotel. The band is under the leadership of Bandmaster Louis Black, one of its original members when first organized in 1920. The boys are the sons of employees of the Victoria plant.

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Alberta Delictin In Moisture

WATERLOO, May 14.—The rains which have been the province from April 1st to May 12th, inclusive, combined with the precipitation which occurred during the months of August, September and October last—when fall precipitation is available for this present crop—will be weighed for wheat acreage, indicate that the moisture condition for the three grain provinces, as a unit, on available water was needed to wheat is now 80 p.c. of normal, and on land that was summer-fallowed and needed to wheat 80 p.c. of normal, giving a record figure for the whole seed acreage of 80 p.c. as compared with 87 p.c. the previous week, and 74 p.c. a year ago.

The moisture condition in Alberta on May 12th was 70 p.c. of normal, as compared with 71 p.c. the previous week, and 105 p.c. at this time a year ago. For Saskatchewan the moisture condition is now 84 p.c. as compared with 82 p.c. last week and 59 p.c. a year ago. For Manitoba the moisture condition is now 112 p.c. as compared with 125 p.c. last week and 81 p.c. a year ago.

The wheat of Alberta, with the single exception of an area around Medicine Hat (which is considerably better than normal), together with most of the western part of Saskatchewan, is badly deficient in moisture. Most of the whole of Manitoba and the eastern part of Saskatchewan has considerably better than average moisture—Saskatchewan Report.

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WEDDING BILLS

Thursday, May 29
6:00 p.m. Wedding Sketches.
6:00 p.m. Eng. Country's Home Hall
8:00 p.m. C.B. News
8:15 p.m. British Spoken
8:30 p.m. May Party
9:30 p.m. John Arison's Concert. Onch.
10:30 p.m. BIRD Radio News Report.

Friday, May 30

6:00 p.m. Peace Recital.
6:00 p.m. Wait Time.
8:00 p.m. Drama.
9:30 p.m. Working for Victory.
10:30 p.m. South American Broadcast.
10:30 p.m. BIRD Radio News Report.

Saturday, May 31

6:30 p.m. 31st Summer Symphony Orchestra.
8:00 p.m. The National News.
9:00 p.m. Musical Mirror.
9:30 p.m. Red River News Debut.

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A Statement by the Minister of Finance

In money alone, this war is costing Canada in round figures, \$4,000,000 a day. That is three and one-quarter times the daily cost of the last year of the last war. This conflict costs so much more because it is a battle of giant, swift machines . . . as well as of men. And to build other than the very best machines would be futile. They must be worthy of our men.

Canada dare not . . . and will not . . . sacrifice men for lack in quantity of fighting machines. Hence we must produce them on a scale hitherto undreamed of.

To do this, Canada needs now to borrow from her citizens at least \$600,000,000 in addition to the revenue raised by taxes. To obtain this money Canada will on June 2nd offer Victory Bonds.

Fortunately, Canadians have the money to pay these Victory Bonds. This is shown by a greatly expanded national income and by record savings deposits.

If every person who has savings or who can make payments out of wages or income will invest in Victory Bonds, the Loan will be quickly subscribed. But the wholehearted support of every citizen is necessary.

What Canadians have done before, Canadians can and will do again. Our population was less than nine million in 1918 and 1919. Yet in November, 1918, our people invested \$616,000,000 in Victory Bonds. Eleven months later, in October, 1919, they invested \$572,000,000. The total subscribed for Victory Bonds in those two loans was \$1,188,000,000. This year, with our population increased to more than twelve millions, the nation that did it before can do it again—and in greater measure.

The terms of the Loan will be announced May 31st. Get ready to buy every Bond that you can.

W. A. R. Miley
MINISTER OF FINANCE

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